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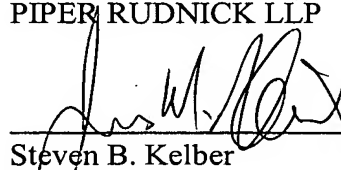
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In response to the outstanding Official Action dated May 6, 2004, Applicants kindly request reconsideration of this application in view of the amendments and remarks herein.

Applicants confirm their election of Group I, Claims 7 and 8, made without traverse and by telephone on October 14, 2003.